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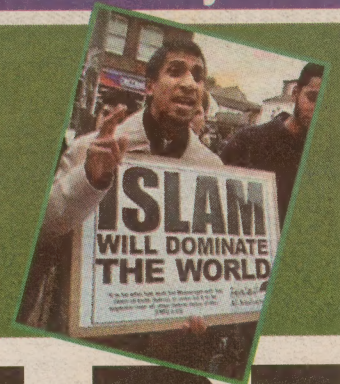


For British Freedom, Security, Identity and Democracy.

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There is one religion in our country
growing faster than all others ...



WHY WE MUST BE AWARE OF ISLAM



SPEAKING OUT: Despite being arrested and threatened with prosecution, BNP Chairman Nick Griffin has pledged to keep voicing his concerns over the growth of Islam in Britain.

MORE PEOPLE WORSHIP in Britain's mosques at Friday prayers than at the combined churches of England, Scotland and Wales for the traditional Sunday service.

Those who attend on Friday are male and in the main young, while those attending on Sunday are generally much older and predominantly female. This means that the future of Islamic worship in Britain is in the ascendancy with its followers able to propagate their religion amongst the population, while Christianity is on the wane, with our churches closing down as congregations gradually die off.

A great change in the balance of religious power in Britain is taking place and it is vital that the British people are aware of this development.

There should be a lively discussion on the rise of Islam in Britain, not a stony silence imposed on public debate by draconian new laws.

The growth of Islam in Britain is not just from within the Muslim communities already here. It grows further each day through immigration and asylum.

In countries where Islam is the dominant religion, the law of the land is influenced by Islamic fundamental beliefs. While this 'Sharia Law' might be welcomed by a majority Muslim population, it would certainly raise concern amongst people in most western countries.

The British National Party believes it is in the best interests of the British people that there is no further growth of Islam here. To explain this stance, the pages of *Freedom* each month will cover issues concerning Islamic expansion in Britain, thus enabling our readers to make up their own minds on this most contentious of issues.



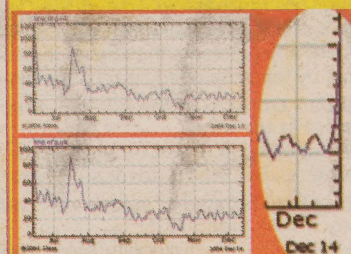
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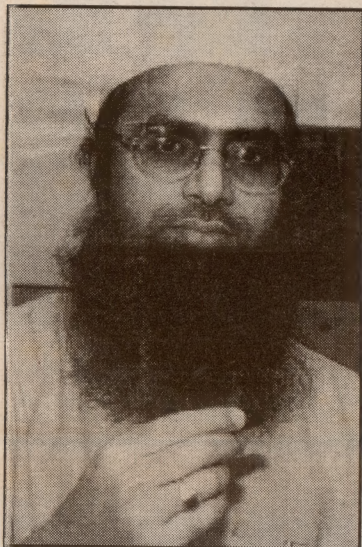
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Police worry over lack of Islamophobia

LANCASHIRE Constabulary are so concerned over the lack of incidents of Islamophobia in Preston that they are allowing victims of 'race hate' crime to report incidents anonymously.

Police chiefs admit that the number of reported incidents of Islamophobia is very low so they have launched their 'Islamophobia - Don't Suffer in Silence' project which aims to ENCOURAGE Muslims to report crimes and incidents they believe are directed against them.

Boxes and special forms will be placed in mosques and police stations to allow victims or witnesses to write down the incident and post it.



SAID AHMED: "Muslims feel it's not worth the hassle of going to the police."

Thousands of packs are being distributed to Muslim community venues giving information on what to report and how to complain.

Imam Said Ahmed from the Jamea Mosque in Preston said the anonymity of the scheme was important because: "It can be difficult for Muslims to go to the police, because they feel it's not worth the hassle."

THE MURDER OF KRISS DONALD

Catholic priest speaks out



'For ten years we've tried to talk to Muslim leaders'

A GLASGOW priest who lives just yards from where 15 year-old Kriss Donald was brutally murdered has revealed that Muslim leaders in Pollokshields ignored all his warnings over the growing cultural split that has plagued the area.

"For ten years now, the Christian churches have been trying to open a dialogue with local Muslim leaders, but we have been frustrated at every turn," Father John Gannon, the Pollokshields parish priest of St Albert's Church, told the *Catholic*

Times at the end of November.

Father Gannon said that Pollokshields suffered from a religious divide as well as a racial divide and that his warnings over the dangers posed by this widening cultural split were continually ignored.

"It's as if local Muslim leaders just don't want to be involved and they rarely bother to answer correspondence or turn up at meetings.

"I have always worried that if a major incident happened, there would be no link between the Christian and Muslim communities to try to bring

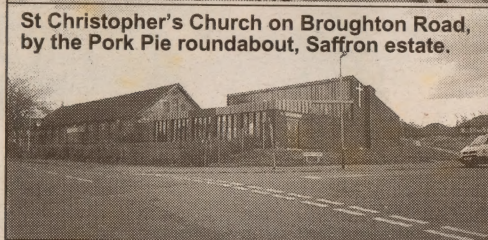
about the necessary healing," he said. "Sadly, the murder of this innocent young boy has meant the religious divisions here have become more pronounced."

Kriss Donald was randomly picked off the street, bundled into a car before being beaten, stabbed, set on fire and left to die on a lonely cycle path. Last month Daanish Zahid was found guilty of racially motivated murder and police are still trying to interview three other suspects who fled back to Pakistan after the killing.

Islamic school gets £15 million grant - Christian school told it will be divisive



Muslim girls naturally delighted to have their own faith state school in Leicester.



St Christopher's Church on Broughton Road, by the Pork Pie roundabout, Saffron estate.

LEICESTER will have its first state-funded Islamic school thanks to £15 million worth of funding from the Government.

The new Islamic Academy in Stonegate will open in September 2006 on the site of the former Dunlop factory in Evington Valley Road.

The Government grant means that the current privately-funded Stonegate Islamic school will become voluntary aided, funded by the state but run by a faith group.

Principal Mohammed Mukadam told the *Leicester Mercury*:

"We have a waiting list of 800 pupils and many have had to go out of Leicester and some even abroad to get an Islamic education. We hope this will help attract students back to the city."

Meanwhile plans for a new Christian school in Eyres Monsell have come under fire in case it might divide the community.

The City Academy planned for the Saffron estate would be jointly funded by the Church of England and local food firm Samworth Brothers, but Val Carpenter, who manages the Pathfinder community cohesion

projects in Leicester, said the new school would divide the community. "This is a working class estate and anyone who doesn't share the faith of that school is going to feel like they're outsiders."

Freedom Factfile Muslim Schools



THERE are 80 independent Muslim schools in Britain and five Muslim state-funded schools, the most established of which is Brent's Islamia Muslim school. There are over 6,500 Koranic schools in Britain which provide a focus for Islamic teaching. In these schools, children learn the Koran and their ethnic language in regular afternoon and weekend classes.

The things they say...



THE BUILDING of new mosques and the conversion of residential properties into mosques has provoked many a contentious planning debate. Through the publicity that these planning applications generate, the spotlight often falls on local Muslim leaders. Here are some of their quotes.

Misdaq Zaidi, chairman of the Sutton Islamic Centre, on residents' fears over the increase in size of the Oakhill Road centre:

"It is a fear of an unknown situation and that is why I'm going to meet people about any problems they have, to create an atmosphere that is friendly. I think that by teaching good citizenship, the centre also helps the wider community."

Zubair Qureshi of the Islamic Association of Lincolnshire on promoting Islam in the city:

"We are trying to put forward what Islam stands for - which is peace. It is not a religion which advocates terror."

Raschid Sohawon, leader of Canterbury's Muslim Community on the city's new mosque:

"Multi-faith and multi-culture are here to stay."

Mufti Yamin Syed, priest of the Muslim Cultural Centre in Canterbury on the city's new mosque:

"There were a lot of objections, some based on illegitimate grounds and some on hostility. We bring peace not only to us but to the whole community. Our new neighbours won't even know we are there because the worship is quiet and peaceful."

Police help to promote Islam

LINCOLNSHIRE Police are to meet representatives of the Islamic Association of Lincolnshire EVERY WEEK to discuss ways of PROMOTING Islam in the city!

This revelation in the *Lincolnshire Echo* came in a report about how the force were now teaming up with something called the Muslim Safety Forum to distribute information packs to mosques, other Muslim community venues and police stations to help tackle 'Islamophobia'.

All this comes alongside a campaign against religious intolerance launched in the city at the beginning of December by Lincolnshire Racial Equality Council. In reality this is a publicity stunt to soften up the population in preparation for proposals for a new city centre mosque to cater for Lincoln's 2,000 Muslims.

Government overrules council on Islamic centre

THE Government has overruled Cheam Council and given a green light to the Sutton Islamic Centre to open its doors to FOUR TIMES as many worshippers.

The council had argued that the bungalow in Oakhill Road, bought by the centre 12 years ago, was just not suitable for expansion.

Local residents fear the move will lead to even more noise, disturbance and congestion. One told *Freedom*:

"This is a bungalow in a residential area and it is open as an Islamic Centre from eight in the morning till ten o'clock at night. In the afternoon and at weekends there's a school with more than 50 pupils in attendance.

"When it's Friday prayers our road is like a car park. Driveways are blocked and you can't get in or out. Things are bad now, so I don't know what it is going to be like with larger attendances."

Illegal mosque now lawful

BOLTON Council clearly showed where its priorities lie when it refused to take any action over a mosque in the Daubhill area of the city which has been operating without planning permission for the past TEN YEARS.

But rather than closing down the Aleef mosque and madrasa in Higher Swan Lane, Bolton Council last month granted it a 'Certificate of Lawfulness'.

This brought a scathing rebuke from Eileen Barlow of the Sunnyside Tenants and Residents' Association:

"They have broken the law and got away with it. The residents have put up with this nuisance for ten years. We just want to live in peace and quiet once more."

Seventh time lucky

CANTERBURY is to get its first mosque after the council agreed to the conversion of a three bedroomed house in Giles Lane.

Despite objections from local residents, the council granted what was the seventh application from the city's Muslim community in recent years.

Muslim Council targets Christian primary schools

A CAMPAIGN by the Muslim Council of Britain (MCB) to teach British schoolchildren the true meaning of Islam has been welcomed by the Government as a further move towards Britain becoming a multi-faith society.

The innocuous sounding 'Books for Schools' resource packs are targeted at Key Stages 1 and 2 of religious education in primary schools and provide a detailed introduction into the practicalities of the Muslim faith. Iqbal Sacranie, secretary-general of the MCB, said the packs would help understanding by making available engaging and child-friendly resources on Islam and Muslims.

As enthusiastic was the then Education Secretary, Charles Clarke, who said: "This initiative brings us much closer towards a multi-faith and multicultural society."

As well as promoting Islam the packs, which cost £250 each, will raise funds for the Muslim Council as not one of the country's 7,000 Christian primary schools would dare to refuse it.

An email to *Freedom* from a civil servant working for the Schools Directorate at the Department of Education and Skills summed up the feelings of many on this specific promotion of a religion.

"It is all very well Christian schools helping to understand Islam, but are Islamic schools helping Christianity to be understood in the same way? The answer, in a word, is 'No'."

New guidelines

POLICE forces across the country will be getting new guidelines on how to look after Muslims officers and staff.

Rob Beckley, the Association of Chief Police Officers' representative on faith matters, told a seminar on the recruitment, retention and promotion of Muslim staff:

"I will be producing an action plan and we will be setting out minimum standards to police forces showing broadly what we should be providing for our Muslim staff."

He said that forces should be more flexible about Muslims wearing traditional clothing as part of their uniform, not working at Eid, and providing facilities for prayer and appropriate food, because...

"We need to get as many Muslims as possible into the service, who will ultimately serve our communities."!!

Tories join unholy scramble

THE TORIES have joined Labour and the Liberal Democrats in an unholy scramble for the Muslim vote at the next General Election.

Education spokesman, Tim Collins, has accused state schools and teachers of failing Muslim youngsters and says the Conservatives would encourage the setting up of more Islamic schools:

"We want more Islamic schools set up and administered by Muslim religious leaders," said Mr Collins.



HARDY OPPONENTS: Braving appalling weather conditions, local British National Party members and supporters demonstrate outside Clitheroe Town Hall to oppose the building of a mosque in the town.

BNP makes sure OAP homes are put before new mosque

THERE WAS a huge sigh of relief from the majority of residents in Clitheroe when the local council held out in the face of huge pressure and refused to allow a mosque to be built in the town.

The local BNP group distributed 5,000 leaflets opposing the sale of the land at the former council depot in Kirkmoor Road to the Islamic Education Trust for the building of a mosque. The BNP wanted this precious plot of land to be used for sheltered accommodation for the town's elderly.

It was the fifth time in six years that plans for a mosque in the town have been put forward by the Muslim community. Other applications involved building a mosque behind a terraced house in Holden Street, which was successfully opposed thanks to a campaign by local residents and the BNP.

British National Party supporters also held a demonstration outside the Town Hall on the night of the meeting, where well over 100 people crammed into the public gallery and the reception area to watch the debate on a television link.

Sensing strong local feelings on the subject of the mosque, councillors on Ribbles Valley Council's policy and finance committee voted to develop the site for sheltered housing.

The decision outraged Sheraz Arshad, of the Medina Islamic Centre.

"It is a travesty and the council should be ashamed for pandering to the BNP," he told local journalists:

Equally livid with the council's decision was Graham Sowter, the deputy leader of the Liberal Democrats, who had campaigned hard for the mosque, no doubt with a keen eye on the Islamic

vote for the General Election.

"This decision is going to damage the council's reputation outside the Ribbles Valley."

An indication that in today's climate, politicians believe that to refuse to give an ethnic community exactly what it wants reflects badly on a council.

During the meeting, Sheraz Arshad told councillors that he knew of Muslim families who had left the Ribbles Valley because they felt unwelcome.

Now that is something which will be welcomed by many residents, because accommodation in Clitheroe is at a premium. There's already a waiting list of 102 elderly people needing somewhere to live, so this tight-knit



HOLDEN STREET: One site for the mosque was by this terraced house.

community just can't cope with a further influx of newcomers bringing with them demands to satisfy their own cultural and religious requirements.

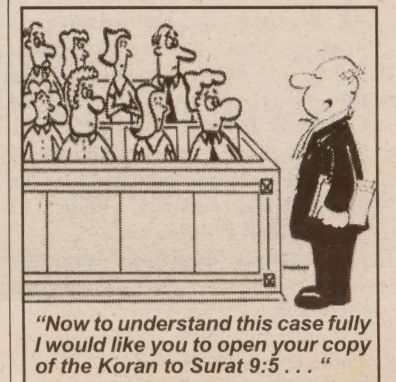
Courses signal Islamification of justice system

PROSECUTION lawyers are to be sent on cultural awareness courses, costing £1,750 a time, to help them understand the intricacies of the Islamic religion.

Legal staff in six areas of the country where there are large Muslim populations, including London, West Yorkshire and the West Midlands, will be sent on the courses run by consultants hired by the Crown Prosecution Service.

A CPS spokesman said:

"The aim of training is to help these staff have a better appreciation of the structure of the Muslim faith in the UK, the basic tenets and practices of the Muslim faith and issues such as discrimination and disadvantage which affect the community."



But one Bradford barrister described the courses at the first steps toward including Muslim sharia law in the justice system. He told *Freedom*:

"The CPS head of equality and diversity, Seamus Taylor, set up the course programme on orders from Whitehall, the objective being to drain millions of pounds into the coffers of the 'equality and diversity' department, while ensuring the Islamification of the justice system."

"If appreciation and understanding of Islamic values becomes indoctrinated into criminal defence and prosecution lawyers, it will become impossible to stop the prejudices and untruths inherent in the Muslim faith from being legally forced upon those whom reject it."

"A crime is a crime, and should carry the same sentence for everyone"

But they're digging-in at Bolton & Harrow



HARROW: Mayor Lurline Champagne and the town's Muslim elders make the first ceremonial dig for their new £5 million mosque.

THE NEW £5 million mosque on Station Road in Harrow will include a prayer hall, community centre, school, library, conference hall, gym and even a mortuary!

Gushing over the building on which work has begun, the *Harrow Times* fawned:

"The new mosque will add to Harrow's diverse range of quality character buildings of outstanding architecture."

In Bolton, the *Evening News* was not quite so enthusiastic over yet another mosque in the city, even though the foundation stone was laid by celebrity boxer, Amir Khan. The paper was probably aware of its readers' disquiet over the growing number of mosques when it tersely reported:

"A new £600,000 mosque is set to rise into the Bolton skyline."



BOLTON: Boxer Amir Khan lays the foundation stone for yet another mosque in Bolton. This time it's in the town's Chorley Old Road area.

The Bicester Asylum Centre

A community ignored



NO VOICE: Any attempt to influence Government policy on immigration or asylum will be contemptuously dismissed by Tony Blair and his ministers.

THE SMALL market town of Bicester in Oxfordshire is bracing itself for an imminent influx of asylum seekers after the Court of Appeal rejected Cherwell District Council's case against the construction of a 750-bed accommodation centre between the outlying villages of Arncliffe and Piddington.

The argument from local residents, that it was madness to place asylum seekers in such a massive institution in a quiet rural area, was completely ignored by the Government. Home Office Minister Des Browne was apparently oblivious to the strength of feeling in Bicester over the camp when he suggested:

"Local people will want to become involved in the operation of the centre and have a positive relationship with its staff and occupants."

But there's now a new worry that is troubling the towns folk, and that concerns the size of the camp.

"Take any detention centre or prison in Britain today," one campaigner against the centre told *Freedom*.

"We all know that when they are built they are supposed to house a certain number of detainees, but they almost always end up doubling in size."

"We are told that the Arncliffe and Piddington complex will house 750 asylum seekers, but if previous experience is anything to go by, that could end up at 1,500."



Asylum policy in utter chaos

THE ASYLUM invasion of Britain is showing no sign of stopping with the number of new claimants arriving on our shores up 13% to 10,385 in just twelve weeks to September 2004.

At the same time, fewer numbers of failed asylum seekers are being deported and this is for the fourth quarter in a row.

The Government has been asked to stop sending asylum seekers to Derby, Manchester, Nottingham, Doncaster and Merseyside because of the rising

racial tensions in these areas.

This suspension of dispersal shows Labour's asylum policy in chaos. Many local authorities who applied to become centres for asylum seekers in return for government funding, are now abandoning the idea after having seen the impact it has on race relations and law and order.

The British National Party calls for an immediate end to any more asylum admissions and the earliest deportation of all those still in Britain whose asylum claim has failed.

Asylum leaflet upsets pensioners

PENSIONERS in Bury are up in arms after a council leaflet detailed what asylum seekers get when they arrive in the town.

Bury Council's 'Myths and Legends' leaflet, which was meant to dispel local peoples' worries that asylum seekers in Bury were getting preferential treatment, has done exactly the opposite after it was distributed in surgeries, community centres, afternoon clubs and offices.

The glossy colour council propaganda featured photogenic asylum images along with details about the process in Bury, but it was the revelations that asylum seekers get a 'furniture package', allocated council property,

claim benefits from the National Asylum Support Service (NASS) and get £38.25 asylum seeker allowance a week, that shocked many people. John Raymond, 67, was given the leaflet at his bowling club and thinks the council have scored an own goal with their campaign.

"I can't believe that people who have contributed nothing to this country can come to Bury and get everything put on a plate for them."

"I know people who have worked hard all their lives, paid their taxes and always done their civic duty, who would love to have their council flat furnished without having to pay a penny for it."

Local council cost

THE COST to local councils of looking after asylum seekers has risen over 30-fold in the last three years and the total burden on council taxpayers is probably much higher than this when the indirect costs to local councils, like staff time, are taken into account.

Even places like Poole are bearing the brunt, with new figures revealing that more than £575,000 was spent in the Dorset town last year on looking after asylum seekers.

Don't detain, DEPORT!

ONE in eight inmates of Britain's prisons comes from overseas and looking after EACH ONE of them is costing the taxpayer £37,000 a year.

In total there are 9,000 foreigners being held in our jails contributing to the record number of prisoners being detained and adding to the current overcrowding of our penal system.

The BNP believes that offenders who are not British should be deported. It's a policy that would cut a massive £333 million a year from Britain's prison bill.

Guide to services

ENFIELD'S 8,000 asylum seekers are to get a new full-colour easy-to-understand guide to help direct them to vital health services and support agencies where their specific language is spoken.

The book, published and paid for by Enfield Council and Enfield Primary Trust, has been welcomed by Mohammed Ali Dini from the Edmonton Somali Association who said that new arrivals from Somalia were having specific problems finding housing and the right health care.

Translation costs

PETERBOROUGH Council has had to pay £106,000 over the last 12 months for the services of a team of specialist translators to help asylum seekers in the city.

Over the next three years, £2.2 million will be spent on nine projects designed to help ease the 5,300 newly arrived immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers into 'the everyday way of life of Peterborough'.



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Postal voting is turning elections into a lottery

THE GOVERNMENT'S tampering with the electoral process has undermined public confidence in the whole democratic system and seen a return to the kind of intimidation and fraud that was common in the 18th and early 19th centuries. New Labour want to do away with the tried and trusted ballot box and force all-postal voting on the British public, irrespective of their wishes and the advice of the Electoral Commission which has warned against repeating all-postal ballots in their current form. A new report into elections in London claimed 160,000 ballots went missing, and that plans to expand postal voting could turn elections into a lottery.

"The BNP won another three seats on Kirklees Council"

One 'sickened' Labour councillor with the courage to speak out

ALABOUR councillor in Kirklees has revealed that the British National Party should have won three extra council seats in the local elections back in June, but bundles of 50 votes for the BNP were put in



ADAMANT: Nick Cass says that the same scam won't happen again.

the piles of Labour candidates just prior to the final count.

The revelation was made last month to Nick Cass, the BNP's unsuccessful candidate in Dewsbury South, and now the party's General Election campaign manager for the Dewsbury constituency.

The councillor told him:

"You won a number of seats in Kirklees back in June, but hundreds of your votes were deliberately counted as Labour ones at the end of the count when the final totals were tallied up. 'You were robbed of significant council representation, and possibly, if the same thing was repeated in other areas which I believe it was, of an MEP as well. I was sickened by it, and still am.'"

When pressed by *Freedom* to name the councillor, Nick Cass declined:

"The person concerned is still a Labour councillor and to name them wouldn't benefit anyone at this time. I know the way they feel and they are more help to the BNP actually in the council chamber with our own David Exley."

"Apparently there were three wards where votes were transferred, and in each seat the BNP candidate would have finished third if they had received all the votes due to them."

David Exley was the BNP's sole victor in Kirklees, topping the poll in Heckmondwike. The three wards referred to could be Dewsbury East, Dewsbury South and Batley West.

In these seats the BNP candidates were 131, 348 and 365 votes short of being elected, and the disparity between the votes cast for the most and the least popular of the three Labour candidates in each ward was quite striking. In Dewsbury East it was 521, in Dewsbury South 328 and in Batley West it was 563.

"Nothing can be done about it now" accepts Nick Cass, but of one thing he is certain:

"They won't be able to get away with the same scam again. At the General Election we shall have a team monitoring the BNP bundles of votes to ensure that they are all correctly accredited."

Keighley MP admits electoral fraud in her constituency

ANN Cryer, who is standing down as MP for Keighley at the General Election, has launched a scathing attack on the electoral fraud that took place at last year's local and European elections.

She said that election fraud amongst the ethnic communities in her constituency had disenfranchised Asian women voters:

"There were people going around with carrier bags collecting up ballot papers and taking them to a safe

house where they were filled in," she said.

"In a number of Asian households, the father filled all of them in for the whole family."

Mrs Cryer said that intimidation of voters was widespread during the campaign but that there had been no prosecutions or publicity about this manipulation of the election process because people would not report on their family, neighbours or other members of the community.



CRYER: Intimidation not reported.

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Ethnic firms funded for advantage over rivals

A SERVICE to help ethnic minority businesses "gain a competitive edge" - presumably over non-ethnic minority business rivals - has been launched in Bury.

The Multi-cultural Business Support (MBS) scheme is being offered by Bury College Business Solutions and aims to deliver a programme of co-ordinated and specialised business development and support services to meet the needs of small and medium-sized ethnic minority businesses.

New funding has also been secured by MBS to help more ethnic minority businesses start-up.

Families miss out on lion's share of cash

FAMILIES in Croydon were delighted when they were awarded £395,000 from the Government's new parenting fund.

But for many, the shine was taken off the announcement when it was discovered that nearly half of the money was to go to African organisations.

African Families Support Services got £98,587, while the Centre for African Development got £70,921. This money was to pay for a training programme for parents from black and minority ethnic groups to tackle issues including child and substance abuse, domestic violence and delinquency.

It's all paid for

NATFHE, the largest lecturers' union, certainly looks after its ethnic minority members.

They had their own special conference at the end of last year, an event that was free to black delegates and all travelling expenses were paid for as well out of union funds.

The meeting was held at the plush London Conference Centre and the topics under discussion were, representing black workers, negotiating for equality, the role of black women, training, and black attainment in education.

There was also a special emergency item included on the agenda at the last minute - the campaign against the British National Party!

Exclusive access

SWIMMERS in Hebburn have been told that there will be one less session for them at weekends.

South Tyneside Council have decided to give Asian women their own exclusive private access to the Victoria Road pool on Sunday afternoon.

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The ritual slaughter debate

Labour councillor wrong over cost of halal meat

A LABOUR councillor who claimed that serving halal meat in Halifax's schools saved the council money has been proved wrong by a British National Party councillor on Calderdale Council.

Mohammed Najib (Lab) told the Council's Health & Social Care Scrutiny Panel, "there is no additional cost in providing halal meat and in some cases it proves to be cheaper", but the BNP's Adrian Marsden found that it actually raised the cost of meals by as much as 48% in some cases.

"The figures are very clear, so there's no question of any confusion," Adrian told *Freedom*.

"The price of diced chicken is £2.68 per kilo, but the cost of halal diced chicken is £3.96, a 48% increase. It's the same for minced mutton which costs £2.65 a kilo, but halal minced mutton is £3.26, an increase of 23%. The cost of halal meat as a percentage of Calderdale Council's total meat bill is 7.1%."

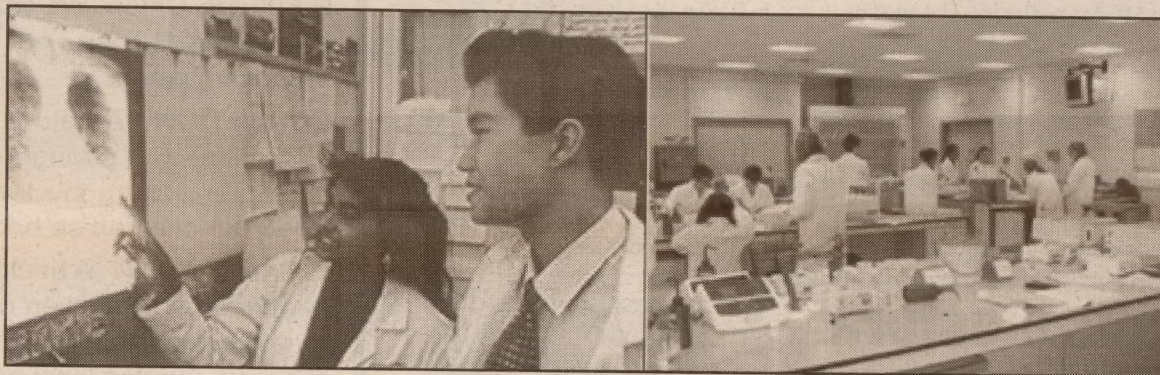
Councillor Marsden called for a ban on ritually slaughtered meat being served in Halifax's schools and council buildings because this method



ADRIAN MARSDEN: Figures are clear.

of killing causes severe suffering to animals. But his request was rejected by the scrutiny panel after evidence from Councillor Najib.

The halal meat for Calderdale Council comes from a butchers in Sheffield and is slaughtered by Mohammed Najib & Sons (?) based in Foston in Derbyshire.



STOP POACHING!: We must give the Third World back their doctors and nurses, and start to train and retain our own.

British students forced abroad to train as doctors

by Steve Johnson

IN RECENT issues of *Freedom* it has been reported how our National Health Service is poaching doctors and nurses from Third World countries that desperately need them. Now we can reveal how the NHS is also driving British nurses abroad and forcing well-qualified young Britons to study abroad in order to become doctors.

A report published at the end of last year by the Royal College of Nursing (RCN) revealed that the number of nurses leaving Britain for the United States had doubled in just 12 months to 2,200, despite there being 25,000 nursing vacancies in Britain and four out of five hospitals being short-staffed.

The RCN asked our nurses why they were leaving, and was told that in Labour's NHS they felt underpaid, undervalued and were concerned over standards of cleanliness on wards.

Nurses in the United States can earn almost double what they get here. The profession is respected, hospital cleaners are not, in general, sweated Third World labour and on top of this America wants to recruit a million extra

nurses by 2010 and has just launched a recruitment drive over here.

With our nurses being poached by the US, Health Care Trusts will in turn no doubt step up their efforts to poach Third World countries' nurses, just as they are shipping in Third World doctors, encouraging them to leave their own sick and dying behind.

Despite this shortage, last year over half of the 14,833 young Britons who applied to train as doctors were turned away, even though many of those

rejected had top qualifications - three 'A's at A-Level.

The farcical result of this has been that many of those British students turned away from our medical schools are going abroad to train as doctors in the very Third World countries whose doctors we are poaching.

Hundreds of Britons each year are now travelling to the West Indies and Eastern Europe to study medicine, paying their own fees of over £18,000 a year. When they qualify, they are headhunted by the USA, Australia and other countries and are lost to our country for good.

Labour is letting the under-staffed and under-funded National Health Service fall apart. Our doctors and nurses are being driven abroad because we've shipped in cheap Third World labour which keeps down wages and allows the Government to cut back on the very medical schools we need to train our doctors.

Britain must give the world's poorest countries back their doctors and nurses and start to train and retain our own. There is no shortage of British people who want to be doctors and nurses - it's now time we let them!



UK LOSS: British doctors and nurses are being headhunted for better paid jobs in America and Australia.

Ban on khat? Only after the election

KHAT is a green leaf narcotic, an addictive stimulant that is chewed to achieve a short term euphoric high. It is banned in almost all European countries, but in Britain it is still legal despite its ingredients being graded a Class C drug.

Social workers say the drug is linked to long term health problems, loss of memory and mental health difficulties.

So why hasn't it been banned? The answer is that khat is widely used by Somalis living in Britain, especially amongst the younger male population.

The Somali community has mushroomed over the last twenty years and now makes up 10% of the population of London boroughs like Camden.

With 70% of Somalis living in Britain admitting to voting Labour at the last round of elections, Tony Blair & Co dare not risk their defection to the Liberal Democrats, so any decision on banning khat has been delayed till after the General Election.

Colemanballs

DERBYSHIRE Chief Constable David Coleman, who *Freedom*

reported on last month after he warned his officers they would face disciplinary action if they joined the British National Party, is now facing disciplinary action himself.

Coleman was being driven by his chauffeur when his vehicle was stopped by traffic officers in Hertfordshire travelling at 97mph.

An RAC spokesman said:

"This is a serious speeding offence and one for which someone could expect an outright ban. Even though the Chief Constable wasn't driving, we expect public figures to set a good example." Last year Coleman's force used both fixed and mobile speed cameras to catch 59,000 drivers speeding.



Chanting & banging

THERE wasn't a recorder or violin in sight when members of the grandly named Music Service Curriculum Team turned up at Blackshaw Primary school in Bolton to take music lessons.

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Immigration fuels housing shortfall



GREEN BELT DESTRUCTION: Forty years ago Shelley was a tiny picturesque village just outside of Huddersfield. Now it's a sprawling housing estate with another 800 houses due to be built by 2015.

NEW GOVERNMENT figures released in December show that immigration will increase the number of homes needed in Great Britain by 1.2 million over the next twenty years.

These new figures also show that one new-in-three of the additional 189,000 households formed each year will be due to immigration. It's all a frightening indication of the actual scale of the impact of

immigration on the demand for housing across the UK, especially in London and the Southeast, already the most densely crowded region in Europe.

But it's not just in the south where councils have been told to build homes on green belt land to meet the demands of Britain's booming immigrant population.

Kirklees Council have been told to build 20,000 new houses by 2016, which means the rolling hills and fertile farming land surrounding Huddersfield being given over to the bulldozer. That's because over the last four years all the available brownfield sites in the town have been redeveloped, so to meet these new Government demands, Kirklees Council will have to authorise the building of new housing estates in the countryside.

Tony Blair and New Labour have promoted immigration without taking account of the resultant pressures on housing and public services and the strain on race relations that it brings with it.

The British National Party opposes this destruction of our countryside and that is why we call for a complete stop to any further immigration into Britain.

WARD	HOMES	WARD	HOMES
Birstall & Birkenshaw (1)	734	Birkby (13)	506
Checkheaton (2)	1534	Paddock (14)	345
Spenn (3)	1496	Newsome (15)	592
Bailey West (4)	1123	Almondbury (16)	334
Bailey East (5)	506	Kirkburton (17)	1074
Hackenshaw (6)	768	Denby Dale (18)	420
Dewsbury West (7)	1023	Lindley (19)	1131
Dewsbury East (8)	1906	Coltgar (20)	1882
Thornhill (9)	665	Colne Valley West (21)	695
Mirfield (10)	975	Croftland Moor (22)	507
Salton (11)	389	Holme Valley North (23)	463
Deighton (12)	614	Holme Valley South (24)	639

KIRKLEES: The new builds required for each council ward.



Six Labour councillors who must hang their heads in shame

ELDERLY Royton residents say they have been betrayed by their six Labour councillors and now face eviction from their Whittaker Street homes.

The pensioners are angry that their so-called representatives on Oldham Council are backing plans to demolish their homes to make way for new housing.

The scheme will see perfectly good bungalows, flats and bedsits that house 106 pensioners knocked down and replaced with a housing complex providing accommodation for just 80 OAPs.

When one couple asked where the rest of them would be housed, their councillor told them:

"Put it down to natural wastage".

Ivy Taylor (76) lives in a bungalow in Lancaster Square, one of the areas earmarked for demolition.

She told the *Oldham Chronicle*:

"The councillors should bow their heads in shame for agreeing to this."

"We cannot see the sense in knocking good properties down. All they need is a new front door. We have our own homes, we don't want communal living."

Fred Daniels said: "We were never consulted. At 89 you don't want to move at all. We came here with a view that it would be our last home."

John Howard (85), who has lived in his flat for 30 years, said he was scared about the future.

"I've been to the meetings and all they do is show us maps. Why can't they



"It's not just bricks and mortar that are being knocked down, it is a community that will be destroyed."

just update what is already here?"

But despite the properties being popular and sought-after homes for Royton's elderly population with a growing waiting list for them, the council is still keen to see them demolished so it can access Private Finance Initiative (PFI) funding for the new builds.

Royton South BNP candidate, Anita Corbett, said the British National Party was opposed to the demolition of perfectly good homes.

"It's not just bricks and mortar that are being knocked down, it is a community that will be destroyed. As with most areas where our senior citizens reside in numbers, it is tidy and well-kept and there's a tight-knit community. "Once residents are moved out and their homes have been bulldozed, this will be gone for ever."

"If there are funds available, they should be used for modernising the existing properties."



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No prizes for guessing our fertility hotspots

by Sally Wood

THE birth-rate figures for last year were released in December and they showed that the area with the highest fertility was the London Borough of Newham with 80.3 babies per 1000 women of child bearing age.

The area with the lowest birth rate was Ceredigion in Wales with a general fertility-rate half that of the Borough of Newham, just 39.3 babies per 1000 women.

There are no prizes for guessing which of these two areas contains a high immigrant population which might have some bearing on the figures, or for guessing the areas which followed Newham in the high fertility-rate stakes. If the London Borough of Hackney, then Bradford and then Luton came to mind then you would have guessed correctly because by some strange coincidence these are also areas which contain high levels of immigrants.

It is disappointing that there is no



UK BIRTHS: It is disappointing that there is no ethnic breakdown.

breakdown of the figures into indigenous whites and others, but perhaps the establishment is too frightened of releasing this information for fear of proving the BNP's point of view - that the country is being swamped from outside and swamped from within.

Suffer little Catholic children to come unto me

(At least in greater numbers than Muslim ones arriving by immigration)

THE head of the Roman Catholic Church in Scotland has called on Scottish Catholics to have more children or see their faith eclipsed by immigration.

Cardinal Keith O'Brien did not mention any particular group of immigrants or name any religion, but other Catholic leaders have publicly said they are worried that rising Muslim immigration to Britain could tip the demographic balance against their faith.

The Cardinal could, of course, have just called for an end to immigration, but that wouldn't have been politically correct and even RCs have to be PC in today's Britain.



CARDINAL O'BRIEN: What a pity he was unable to call for an end to immigration.



MANY THANKS: Swansea Organiser, Philip Jones, receives a donation of three Union Jacks for the new group from local BNP stalwart, Rob McGlynn.



FIRST MEETING: Philip Jones calls the members of Swansea's new BNP group to order before briefing them on the activities planned during the months leading up to the General Election.

Full house for Swansea group's inaugural meeting

SEWENTY-seven members and supporters crowded into a packed function room in Swansea, South Wales, as Swansea BNP held its inaugural meeting on Friday 26th November.

Special guests in attendance were the British National Party Chairman, Nick Griffin, the National Treasurer, John Walker and the London Regional Organiser, Richard Barnbrook.

The meeting was chaired by Philip Jones, the Swansea Group Organiser, who during his maiden address stressed the need for more activists to come forward.

He recounted how earlier that day, Nick Griffin and John Walker had joined with members of the Swansea Group and delivered leaflets, alerting local residents to a proposed giant mosque intended for the now vacant St Andrews Church on St.Helen's Road in Swansea.

South Wales area

Philip outlined how the group had evolved and grown within the space of only four months and asked the audience to consider what effect several such groups around the South Wales area might have. He further set out their goals for 2005, especially looking ahead to the now imminent General Election.

He then introduced the first guest speaker, Richard Barnbrook, who continued on the theme of activism, explaining the necessity of preparation at election time, and how to go about the important task of canvassing. He spoke of the need to "get out there" amongst the people and to be visibly seen to be doing something, whether it be picking up litter, or cleaning graffiti off walls.

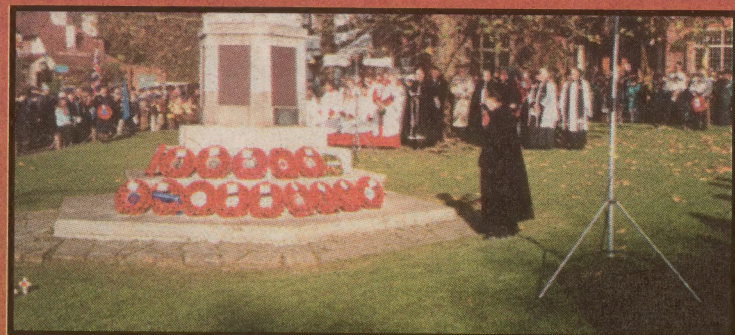
The highlight of the evening was Nick Griffin's speech on "Dhimmitude", which illustrated the Islamic Faith's attitude to non-Muslims living amongst them. He held the audience captive, both shocking and educating them as he recounted the experiences of others living in towns and cities around the country which have seen large scale Islamic immigration. At the end of his speech, Nick was given a standing ovation.

With the formalities concluded, the buffet was declared open and those present were able to mingle and socialise with friends old and new. Few missed the opportunity to have

photographs taken with the chairman and all agreed it had been a very enjoyable evening.

*Report by Philip Jones.
Photographs by Clive Bennett.*

BNP remember our Fallen



EPPING BNP councillor Patricia Richardson, lays a wreath on behalf of the local branch at the War Memorial in Loughton. A member of the public sent in these photographs and praised the British National Party contingent for the 'great dignity shown on the solemn occasion'.

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UNREMARKABLE: London BNP's Christmas social was just a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

LEFT: The sanctimonious *Mirror* editorial passing judgement on a walk out that never happened.

Labour's lie machine caught red-handed

BACK IN March, the Labour Party mouthpiece, the *New Statesman* magazine, was caught making-up stories to try to put voters off supporting the British National Party. Now, just nine months later, another New Labour-supporting newspaper, the *Daily Mirror*, has been caught at it.

On Monday December 4th, *The Mirror* carried a front page report that BNP members had stormed out of their Christmas social because the disc jockey was black! The whole story was nonsense, a lie from start to finish, with the newspaper even including quotes from a BNP spokesman, called 'Bob Garner', when there is no BNP official of that name.

Two days earlier British National Party members and officials had met at an up-market central London restaurant for a well-earned Christmas get-together, celebrating what had been an excellent year for the party in the capital.

It was a thoroughly enjoyable, but quite unremarkable, evening with no politics, just an excellent buffet, well-stocked bar and some great music provided by Derek the DJ. So you can imagine everyone's surprise when 48 hours later this



WHAT SHALL WE HAVE NEXT?: Tony Lecomber and DJ Derek sort out some nice 'Christmassy' tunes.

unremarkable event makes front page news with a national newspaper.

Tony Lecomber, the BNP's Development Officer, who was there, thought it was a joke when he was told that the Christmas party had knocked Iraq, David Blunkett and Posh & Becks off the *Mirror*'s front page.

"It just goes to show how petrified the Labour Party and its friends in the

media are of the BNP that they have to sink to such depths to try to smear us. Someone obviously tipped them off about the social and they made up the rest. It was a good evening with one of the best buffets we have ever had at a BNP function."

Far from being left playing music to an empty restaurant, DJ Derek chose the right sort of tunes and had the dance floor packed until past midnight.

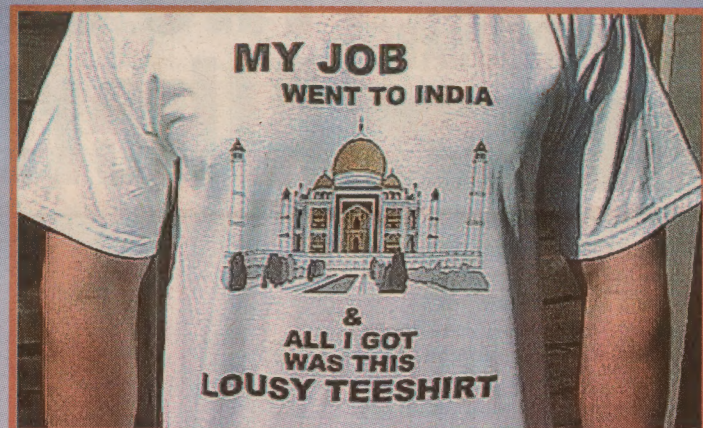
Headlines 'bombed'

WHEN a newspaper headline doesn't tell the readers what the story is about it is said to have 'bombed' - and that's what happened to this *Mirror* story. 'BNP Athletic' was read as 'BNP Athletic' leading readers to believe it was yet another offering about a BNP football team. Realising that this sort of 'news' wouldn't sell newspapers, *Mirror* bosses decided to change the headline to 'BN-Pathetic' but this too 'bombed' as people choosing their morning read didn't have a clue who or what 'BN' was.



TRIPPING THE LIGHT FANTASTIC: BNP Cultural Officer Jonathan Bowden and a friend.

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CLIVE WAKLEY takes *Freedom* to task over the report in last month's issue claiming Tower Hamlets has become the third London Borough where the British people are now a minority.



It is now SEVEN London boroughs where Brits are in the minority

SO IT appears that *Freedom* has fallen for the Office of National Statistics (ONS) figures that it is in just three London Boroughs that the British people are in a minority.

My disagreement with the Office of National Statistics is that 'white' in ONS terms, does not mean Scots, Welsh, Irish, English exclusively. It also includes Europeans and, in fact, anyone and everyone who considers themselves to be white.

Therefore any Armenians, Iraqis, Kurds, Palestinians, Persians, Turks, or even high caste Indians who wish

so are counted as white.

This government and the ONS have deliberately played on the assumption of white being British in presenting the figures from the 2001 census.

They have also used entirely different criteria for publishing 'white' data than that for other groups such as Black and Asian.

White data was collected on the census as white-British, white-European, white-Irish, white-Other but published in the formula of a total 'white' percentage.

Black, on the other hand was

collected as black-British, black-African, black-West Indian and black-Other and then published as such, as was the Asian breakdown. So when we see a London Borough which is claimed by the ONS as 50% 'white' - it does not mean that those 50% are the native British.

Using the real breakdown of 'white-British' to London's population then we Brits are a minority in SEVEN boroughs - Brent, Newham, Tower Hamlets, Southwark, Harrow, Ealing and Hounslow.*

*These figures haven't factored in illegal immigrants or asylum seekers arriving in the capital since the 2001 census.

David Fortune's Tales from the streets of Blackburn



Eastern promise fulfilled

SO BLACKBURN Council in its wisdom is to merge the Audley, Queen's Park and Whitebirk wards of the town into one called 'New East'.

There's no doubt the area has acquired an Eastern flavour over the last thirty years with a multitude of kebab and curry takeaways, Indian restaurants, exotic fruit and vegetable shops, an Asian sweet shop and a halal butchers.

Many of the grocery stores have a selection of Bollywood videos to rent and there are posters in their windows, written in Urdu, Punjabi and Gujarati advertising forthcoming events that New East's more traditional residents are unable to read, increasing their sense of exclusion, alienation and isolation.



Awan Car Sales, formerly the Queen's Hotel public house and one of four sari shops in Audley Range.

There are three Asian barber shops and four Sari shops on Audley Range, as well as many other textile stores catering for this area of Blackburn where middle-eastern robes and headgear for men and the black burqa for women are worn like a uniform.

There used to be numerous pubs in the Audley area, but most have been pulled down to make way for new housing for the newer residents of New East. Just three buildings that were once public houses remain standing. One is now Asian-owned and selling second hand cars, another, formerly Yuticks Nest Public House, is an Islamic hostel and a third The Barge Inn, on Higher Audley Street, is now a conference centre sponsored by Jan Virmani, the town's deputy Mayor. The centre regularly holds nights with Eastern themes and every year it hosts an Indian Independence Day celebration and a Diwali festival.

Queen's Park was opened in June 1887 during the reign of Queen Victoria. It provided a welcome escape from the bustling town centre, with an artificial lake where, in summer, motor boats and rowing boats were available for hire. There was a cafe adjacent to the lake, footpaths, ornamental walks, four bowling greens, pavilions, and two tennis courts. There was a park keeper in uniform complete with his guard dog, and a permanent team of gardeners based in the park, tending the flower beds, bowling greens and paths. Band concerts took place during June, July, and August, and the year was always rounded off with the annual Guy Fawkes night bonfire.

But that's all gone now. The park is unkept and uncultivated, graffiti scrawled everywhere, litter strewn and seats and ornaments vandalised. Queen's Park hasn't seen a brass band in years.



Queen's Park's derelict bowling club and graffiti scrawled in a park shelter.

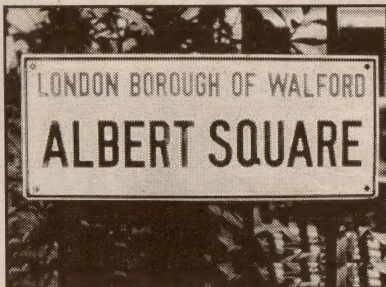
There was, however, a fun day there this summer with such local cultural delights as Indian head massage, henna painting, and a drugs awareness team. The highspot of the afternoon was when the Red Devils parachuted in, their first sky rider dropping out of the sky to cheers and applause from the crowd flying the Indian national flag.

There are still places of worship for the dwindling Christian population, but Audley United Reform Church has long since been pulled down, and the site now houses a Muslim infant school and a car park for the Masjid Noorul Islam Mosque.

In Paul Scott's novel, *Staying On*, about an elderly retired army couple who stay on in India after partition, the husband dies and the closing lines said by the wife are:

"Now until the end I shall be alone here as I feared amid the alien corn, waking, sleeping alone. Oh Tusker, how can you make me stay on here by myself while you yourself go home."

The few remaining white residents of Audley, Queen's Park and Whitebirk have expressed similar sentiments about Blackburn's New East.



The search for Albert Square

by Clive Wakley

THE BBC tells us that their long running soap *Eastenders* is the gritty saga of life in London's East End, but whereabouts exactly is Albert Square supposed to be?

The East End is generally recognised as being contained within the three adjoined inner East London boroughs of Tower Hamlets, Newham and Hackney.

The demographic make up of the fictional borough, Walford, is revealed by those appearing in the series over the last 20 years, with just one-in-five characters from the ethnic minorities. So to find where Albert Square might be we have to look for a working-class district in Newham, Tower Hamlets or Hackney where 80% of the population is white.

Well, it can't be in Tower Hamlets where in Bethnal Green, Shadwell, Spitalfields and Whitechapel the native British population is less than 50%, and it's the same story in Mile End, Stepney and Bromley-by-Bow. After searching all of Tower Hamlets'



EASTENDERS

TOO MANY WHITE FACES: Half of the cast in *Eastenders* today, if the gritty saga was a true reflection of East End life, should be Asian.

seventeen wards we discover that native Brits are a minority in no fewer than 12 of them, and even in Bow East, the *whitest* ward in the borough, Brits make up just two thirds of the population.

It's the same story in Hackney. Albert Square cannot be in Dalston, Haggerston, Hoxton or Stoke Newington because all these areas fail

the necessary demographic profile.

With native Brits a minority in a third of Hackney's wards and well short of the required 80% of the population in the borough's *whitest* ward, there is no chance of finding Albert Square here. Having ruled out both Tower Hamlets and Hackney as possible contenders - we are only left with Newham.

Can Walford be located in the likes of Canning Town, East Ham, West Ham, Plaistow, or Beckton?

No, I'm afraid not. Adjusted statistics show that Britons are a minority in no fewer than 15 of Newham's 19 wards and even in the *whitest* ward there's still an ethnic population of 40%.

Maybe we should be asking, not 'where is Albert Square?', but 'WHEN is Albert Square?'

Eastenders started twenty years ago when there were still areas of the East End that might resemble 'Walford' - but such areas aren't there any more.

Half of the cast in *Eastenders* today, if the gritty saga was a true reflection of East End life, should be Asian, with the roles of other characters split evenly between black and white actors.



TRAVELLING BACK IN TIME?: Maybe we should be asking, not 'where is Albert Square?', but 'WHEN is Albert Square?'

Bought and sold for foreign gold

EUROPHILES: John Monks, Neil Kinnock and Chris Patten of BiE.



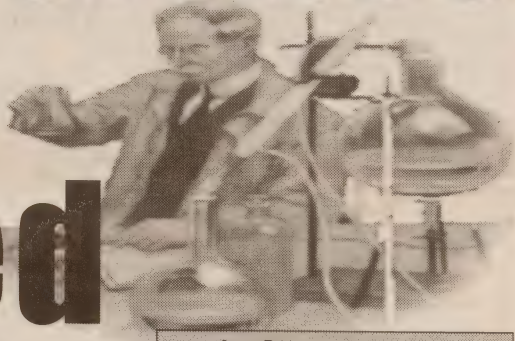
THE CAMPAIGN to ram the new EU superstate constitution down the throats of British voters is being funded by foreign multinational corporations.

A leaked internal memorandum from the Britain in Europe Campaign (BiE) reveals it has been forced to beg for money from foreign firms because it can't raise cash in our country. Cash it needs to brainwash Britons into voting away our country's remaining freedom and independence in the EU superstate referendum, expected in May 2006.

Hearteningly, BiE can't find enough rich traitors in Britain to bankroll it. So it has been forced to go cap in hand to foreign multinationals like Telecom Italia, French arms companies Thales and EADS, Deutsche Bank, Swiss bank UBS and even US planemakers Boeing and Lockheed. The campaign to bring Britain totally under Brussels' rule has also rattled its collecting tin under the nose of US multinationals Merck pharmaceuticals, Accenture management consultants, and Wall Street stock sharks Merrill Lynch. Amongst the BiE leaders who clearly

want to be the paid agents of foreign multinational corporations are ex-Labour leader Neil Kinnock, Tory grandee Chris Patten, and former TUC leader John Monks. When the referendum on the Eurostate comes, the British people will undoubtedly refuse to have their votes bought by foreign money in this seedy and underhand way. And a day will come when those who sought to sell their homeland and people for Wall Street and Frankfurt gold will be tried, judged, and condemned for what they are - traitors.

British science is being strangled



by Steve Johnson

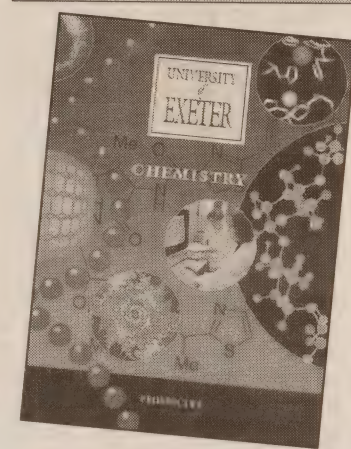
BRITAIN'S future in science and technology is under threat as under-funded university science departments are forced to close and the rising generation is lured away from science and other useful but demanding subjects to waste their time on useless politically correct nonsense.

The Chancellor, Gordon Brown, spouts pompously about "establishing world leadership in science, education and skills", whilst he and his government are causing the collapse of our science, education and skills. The recent closure of the chemistry department at Exeter University, which led British Nobel Laureate Sir Harry Kroto, to return his honorary Exeter degree in protest, is only the latest episode in the ongoing collapse of British science education. In the past nine years 28 other university chemistry departments have also been forced to close due to lack of money. The 40 survivors are expected to

shrink to just six by 2010 and since 1997, 18 university physics departments - nearly a third of the national total - have similarly been compelled to shut down. Of the 50 left, 16 more are under threat.

Meanwhile the Government, desperate to hit its target that half of young Britons will get a university degree, no matter how silly or useless, is pouring funds into economically and socially worthless university arts faculties. Last year, they cut funding for each science student by £124. Whilst raising funds for arts departments by 24%. In 1996 there were 22,679 chemistry students compared with 6,888 media studies students. In 2003, there were only 19,015 chemistry students, but 22,600 media studies ones. Professor Peter Main, Director of Education at the Institute of Physics, spelled it out:

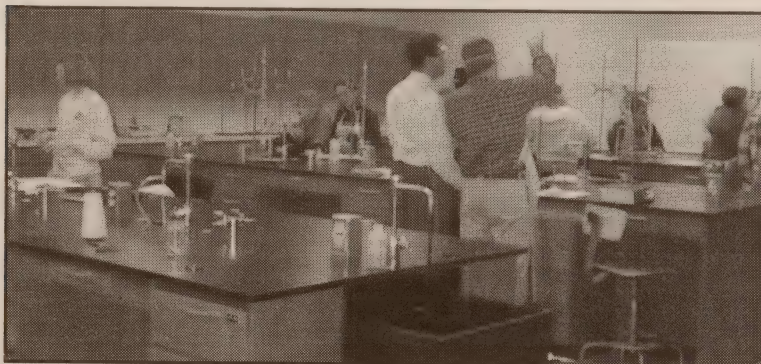
"People are choosing courses that are not much use to them or to the country. Sciences, engineering and



languages have suffered". Britain now produces 250,000 university graduates a year, whilst India and China churn out two million, and unlike most of ours, they are not dumbed down degrees in silly subjects from pretend universities. They are rigorous results in real subjects of practical use, science, engineering and IT, from universities that only take the best and brightest of their people.

The end result will be that Britain, which once led the world in science and technology, will be reduced to importing Asian scientists and technologists to keep our industry going. Unless we act now.

We must fund the training of those who serve our nation's future best, otherwise, the future of science, technology and the civilization they will build will move to Asia, and the Decline of the West will continue apace.



EXPERTISE IN DECLINE: In 1996 there were 22,679 chemistry students, this had dropped to just 19,015 by 2003.

The Campaign for a Miners' Memorial Day

A day in the life of a miner in 1939

JUST before the Second World War, there were 750,000 miners working in Britain's pits. Wherever coal was being mined the place was marked by a shaft with its great wheels. Over the wheels passed the cable carrying the cage - in which the miners would descend hundreds of feet below the surface to dig out the debris of ancient forests.

The first task for workers on the night-shift from midnight to 8am was to collect a token which was put around the neck for identification in case of an accident. Then their vital safety lamp was collected.

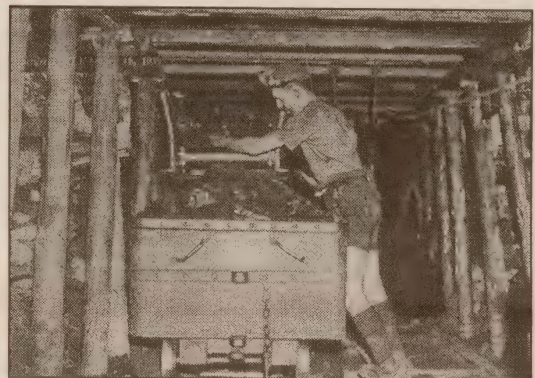
had been there two hours already because he was responsible for ensuring the proper air supply was being received and that there was no risk of subsidence.

Surrounded by steel props which supported the roof and crouched into a few feet of space, the night-shift would get down to the job of drilling coal from the face with the aid of their 'windy picks' (pneumatic drills). The putter with his pony and tubs was the intermediary between the endless belt conveyor, which worked right up at the face, and the giant hauler which dragged the sets of tubs to the shaft bottom.

Coal from the face would travel 90 yards along the mechanical conveyor

to be loaded into tubs by the putter, before the tubs were pulled away by his pony. He would mark each tub with a token so that it could be credited to the men who had hewed it.

Each of the tubs held half a ton of coal and it would take eight minutes for the coal to come from the hewer to the tubs. Four tubs at a time were pulled by the pony to the



There would be just time for a last smoke before the buzzer sounded that would summon them below.

The 500ft journey would only take a few seconds and as they left the cage their places would be taken by the stone-men who had been blasting away the stone so that the miners could get at the coal.

A set - a series of ten tubs - carried the men to the seams, until the roof became too low for any further travel. The rest of the way was covered at a crouched walk because the whole mine was a network of passages radiating out from the shaft, following the seams of coal.

At the junction of two seams the men would meet the deputy. He

point where the giant hauler could drag them to the shaft bottom.

At bait time, the coal miners would eat their simple meal of water and bread and jam. No miner ate much underground because of the crouching position in which he had to work, which would cause chronic heartburn if his stomach was too full.



Heard the one about Margaret Beckett and her puddles?

NEW EU rules have given DEFRA minister, Margaret Beckett, the power to decide when farmers can harvest their crops depending on how much rain falls in Britain.

But new payment guidelines reveal that the amount of rainfall will decisively influence the support farmers will receive. If they want the subsidy, they must refrain from harvesting their crops if the ground is saturated.

The EU definition of saturated ground depends on the location of puddles in a field. If a puddle is within 20 metres of a field gate, it is not standing water; if it's 21 metres or more, it is. Farmers with puddles outside the 20m zone will have to ask Beckett if she will permit them to harvest their crops.

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No such painstaking diligence for Ashley Hedger

IN A joint press statement issued on December 14th 2004, West Yorkshire Police and the Crown Prosecution Service gave an update on their enquiry which was launched following the broadcast of the BBC programme 'the Secret Agent' on July 15th.

The Crown Prosecution Service stated it had worked very closely with West Yorkshire Police throughout this investigation and that all the 'evidence' provided by the BBC had been painstakingly reviewed by a team of three lawyers.

The CPS said that West Yorkshire Police was conducting a thorough investigation into all the issues raised in the programme and had an incident room staffed by a number of experienced detectives, whose enquiries have included trawling through hours of video footage. The statement went on:

"The BBC has supplied the police with over 300 hours of film footage recorded during their time undercover. Since the broadcast, a team of officers has been working 10 hours a day, five days a week viewing these videos in an attempt to establish if any criminal offences have been committed and recorded."

Unfortunately, West Yorkshire Police's press office refused to divulge the number of officers in 'the team' so it is not possible to calculate the man-hours spent on this case, but 'the team' hours exceed 1,000 police-hours.

I expect the parents of Ashley Hedger would have been glad to have had a tenth of that time spent on finding and prosecuting the killers of their sixteen year-old son.

A year ago, on January 16th, Ashley was stabbed four times by a gang of youths who left a ceremonial knife embedded in his skull.

Men from the local mosque had chased Ashley after wrongly identifying him as someone involved in an attempted street robbery. They caught up with him in the doorway of a grocer's shop in Plashet Road, Upton Park and left him in a pool of blood with a knife, buried up to the hilt, in his head.

The police and the CPS offered up Amran Siddik, Albab Chowdhury, Raju Rahman and Mohammed Alim as the culprits, but after a trial at the Old Bailey a jury found three of them 'Not Guilty' and couldn't reach a verdict on the fourth, Alim.

Normally in such a case a defendant would face a retrial, but the CPS offered no further evidence against Alim, which meant he too was now cleared of the murder.

So a young life was taken but no one has been held accountable.

What a strange world we live in where the CPS and police can be so cavalier in bringing to justice the killers of Ashley Hedger, yet be so painstakingly diligent in searching for racist remarks recorded secretly during a television docu-drama.



AT THE COUNT: David Joines and his team at Ellesmere Port town hall for the counting of the ballot papers from the Stanlow and Wolverham by-election. David polled a very encouraging 11% for the British National Party, just 11 votes short of pushing the Tories into fourth place.

The samba - British?

IN Plymouth recently we had the 2004 Respect Festival which celebrated the growing multi-cultural nature of the city.

The council certainly pushed the boat out with a parade, clothes show, stands, stalls and workshops. Sixty-three different nationalities were 'celebrated' at the festival but there was no contribution from our English, Scottish, Welsh or Irish culture.

When I telephoned the council and queried this omission there was silence at the other end before the lady said:

"The festival is for the children".

I asked why 'the children' weren't entitled to some British culture? After another silence she said:

"One school is performing samba music!"

I didn't have the heart to tell this unfortunate person that the samba celebrated Brazilian culture.

What a sorry state of affairs. It's just further evidence of the state sponsored erosion of British culture, history and identity.

Mr M King, Plymouth.

Civil Service pension

IN DECEMBER the Labour Government announced that it had messed up our Civil Service pensions and now wanted to renege on the pension that all civil servants thought was set in stone for our retirement.

In the announcement, it only mentions the Civil Service Pension Board, and the Cabinet Office as being the source of this 'reassessment', but we all know who it really came from - and they have just voted themselves a pension increase!

To add gall to it all, on the self assessment page on the 'ready reckoner' form to work out our new pension, the default name where you should enter your own was Mohammed!

There were groans and the predictable comments across the office as people encountered this, but in truth it is a bit of an insult.

I went to the Treasury Office after work, with the unfortunately left-dominated PCS trade union, to demonstrate my anger at this treatment that loyal civil servants are receiving.

Mark Lavender, Lewisham.

LETTERS

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Churchill on Islam

WINSTON Churchill offered numerous observations on the growth of Islam. These comments below were made over fifty years ago, and then Churchill saw the strength of Christianity as the bulwark against Islam spreading across Europe...

"Individual Moslems may show splendid qualities and thousands have become the brave and loyal soldiers of the Queen: all know how to die."

"But the influence of the religion paralyses the social development of those who follow it. No stronger retrograde force exists in the world."

"Far from being a moribund religion, Mohammedanism is a militant and proselytising faith."

"It has already spread throughout Central Africa, raising fearless warriors at every step; and were it not that Christianity is sheltered in the strong arms of science - the science against which it had vainly struggled - the civilisation of modern Europe might fall, as fell the civilisation of ancient Rome."

If Britain's most famous son was passing his judgement today, no doubt his concerns would focus on the current weakness of Christianity as a unifying force against the arrival of what is an alien religion in Britain.

I expect his comments would more easily find a home with the British National Party than any other of our mainstream parties.

Michael Chalmers, Manchester.

Gale force wind!

GOOD luck with your door-to-door sales of Freedom, I say GO FOR IT!

I'm a new reader of your newspaper and it's much more than a breath of fresh air, it's a gale force wind waking up the public as to what is really going on in this country.

I'm ordering copies every month to give to friends and neighbours and leave around in public places and on public transport.

Jill Jones, London SE13.

Stimulate the public

I RECENTLY wrote to my local Herald and Post newspaper regarding traffic congestion in a part of Luton known as Bury Park.

My letter stated that residents of this Asian area were allowed to park on double yellow lines any time of the day and that this lead to continuous traffic jams. I also went on to say that Bury Park appeared to be a 'no-go' area for traffic wardens.

The paper printed my letter and the following week it was inundated with similar letters of complaint.

As a result of this publicity, Luton Police went to the area and issued over 70 fixed penalty notices to drivers who were parked illegally.

Writing a letter to your local newspaper can be worthwhile and have an impact. Perhaps other Freedom readers could do the same, because every letter that can stimulate the public to see what is wrong in our country is a help to our cause.

Mr P Farmer, Luton.

Get the Abbey habit

ABBEY National are currently offering a £40 incentive for people to transfer their existing bank accounts to them.

This provides a double opportunity for BNP members to not only ditch the HSBC/Barclays brigade in lieu of their decisions to close party accounts, but also to earn £40 in the process that can go towards the party either in the form of direct donations or on merchandise etc.

I am changing and my £40 will go towards this year's Freedom/Identity subscriptions and also to playing the British National Lottery.

Ian Mitchell, Macclesfield.

Comedy of errors

HAVE you seen the latest Home Office advertisements for television, telling the public how to 'Fight the Thieves'?

The succession of examples showing ethnic families apparently at risk from white criminals is laughable political correctness.

The one where a young black boy offers his mobile phone to a white criminal is the funniest of them all, especially to everyone living and working in London who knows what the real situation is.

John King, Walthamstow

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BNP Group Development with Tony Lecomber London has **SIX** new BNP units

ALTHOUGH BNP Group Development hasn't been making any headlines in *Freedom* this year, nevertheless our work has carried on regardless.

A number of new groups have been launched, deliberately without the fanfare of publicity, just to see how they would fare. In some cases they were added straight in to *Freedom*'s 'Contact Column' and in other cases they were left off on purpose.

London is a case in point. Quite unannounced, the capital now has six new groups: Chelsea & Fulham, Ealing, West Herts, Camden & Islington, Lambeth & Southwark and Richmond & Kingston, proving that despite the impact of immigration which has killed off large parts of the city, there is still hope for us in London.

The group and branch review of the year has now been completed. On

the minus side there have been 7 units lost and 2 units graded down from group to contact status. On the plus side, there are 10 units graded up from contact to group status (three of these on Merseyside), 14 units up from group to branch status (three each in London and the North East), 8 new contact units, 17 new group units (of which four were in the West Midlands) and one new branch in London.

Congratulations to all those hard-working officials and activists who helped establish these new units for the party. This all leaves the British National Party in its strongest position ever and well-equipped to absorb further growth during 2005. Watch this space!

News from all local BNP units can be found on 'Regional Voices' on the British National Party website at <http://www.bnp.org.uk/regionalv.php>

Wakefield gets its branch status

DECEMBER'S meeting of the British National Party in Wakefield celebrated the unit's new 'branch' status with organiser, John Aveyard, recounting how the BNP had developed locally from a small group of activists into a fully organised and operational branch.

Guest speaker for the night was the Bradford BNP councillor Dr Jim Lewthwaite, who explained why we should not automatically target 'sink' estate areas for support in elections.

"The BNP is now a party with broad support because our policies appeal just as much to affluent middle class voters as they do to those people living on council estates," he said. Jim called upon party activists and canvassers to get out into Wakefield and the five towns and show the voters the true face of the BNP.

"These areas are the new ground for the British National Party. People are sick and tired of the same failed old policies from the same old politicians. Many of our former mining communities are fertile ground for the fresh policies and positive approach the BNP can offer."



VERY PROUD: Members of Wakefield BNP are delighted at obtaining their branch status.

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Tom Linden has North Leeds BNP in stitches

THE December meeting of North Leeds BNP was opened by Chris Beverley who bought those present up-to-date with the preparations for the forthcoming General Election.

Mark Collett spoke on the self-destruction of the UKIP and the decline of the Tory Party.

Tom Linden from Harrogate had the audience in stitches with his review of the local press including a report of Harrogate's 'black' police association - which is made up of only white officers.

Guest speaker, Nick Griffin, spoke for 45 minutes on the current round of attacks being made on the British National Party by our opponents.



LEEDS: Nick Griffin chats with colleagues after the meeting.

Basingstoke & Farnborough BNP hold joint meeting

A VERY successful joint meeting was held in a Christmas decorated hall in Farnborough on Sunday 5th Dec by the Basingstoke and Farnborough groups.

There were over 40 members and guests present including a Father Christmas at the top table!

The meeting was opened by Roger Robertson who gave a talk on his journey to joining the BNP; how his eyes had been opened to the truth of what is happening to this once great country of ours.

Next up was Tim Rait, who is a tireless worker for the party, travelling

to Dagenham on many occasions to help with the canvassing.

Tim gave a very knowledgeable and erudite speech on the cultural changes in Europe due to immigration, because new arrivals make no attempt to integrate with their host country.

After a break for tea and biscuits and to purchase merchandise, Brian Galloway, the South East Regional Organiser, took the floor. He spoke on the need to reach the ordinary voter, making some very telling points about the EU and how our freedoms have been eroded not only by undemocratic and faceless bureaucrats in Brussels but by the Labour Government which has even more draconian legislation planned.



IMMIGRATION: Tim Rait spoke on the cultural changes forced on Europe.

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Peterborough meeting & Hereward Club dinner

by Chris Green

OVER SEVENTY members were at a meeting in Peterborough to hear party BNP Chairman Nick Griffin give a review of 2004 and the progress the British National Party had made.

The meeting was chaired by local organiser David Wheeldon, and among five other speakers there was a very good maiden speech from South Lincolnshire organiser Anthony Williams.

A talk by an East Midlands environmental health officer, Paula Kelly, had the audience gasping with the revealing facts and figures on the diseases imported into Britain, and the attempts by the establishment to

hide the truth from the public.

An excellent seasonal buffet was provided at the meeting. (No complaints on hygiene standards from our health officer here!).

In the evening the local Hereward Club held their annual dinner with 30 nationalists in attendance. The dinner was held at a swish local hotel where our very own Hereward barbershop choir entertained club members, fellow diners and hotel staff.

Guests of honour at the dinner were Nick Griffin and his wife Jackie. The enjoyable evening was rounded off by an inspiring and visionary speech by the BNP chairman focusing on farming and countryside issues.



The Hereward barbershop choir provided the evening's entertainment.

200 to hear Nick Griffin in Blackpool

NEARLY 200 people turned up at a prestigious Blackpool hotel to hear the British National Party's chairman Nick Griffin, speak on a variety of topics.

David Bleazard, the fundholder, opened the meeting and informed members that Blackpool's funds had never been so good and that the group would soon be buying its own printer for leaflets.

Roy Goodwin, the Blackpool organiser, reported progress on the target of leafleting all of Blackpool, and the success of recent town centre sales of *Freedom*.

Regional Organiser Bev Jones spoke on the General Election and the constituencies the BNP would be contesting in the North West.

Nick Griffin received a standing ovation as he took the floor and went on to outline how the British people were already second class citizens in their own country.

At the end of the meeting the chairman was presented with a huge stick of rock with the words 'Nick Griffin' running all the way through it. The rock weighed over 1 cwt.



BNP'S ROCK: Chairman Nick Griffin.

South Suffolk

AT THE end of last year in the little village of Friston in South Suffolk, BNP Group Development officer Tony Lecomber spoke to a well-attended meeting, an indication that the party is making rapid strides into this new territory in the Suffolk Coastal area.

Aby chaired by Jon Timms, the meeting also heard from local organiser Paul Goodchild, who explained that with Suffolk BNP growing predominantly around two areas, a sensible division of the region was appropriate to help promote more localised growth and see more concentrated support developing.

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The arrest of Nick Griffin hands BNP publicity coup

THERE WAS Nick Griffin, the Chairman of the British National Party, smiling broadly as he was surrounded by TV camera crews and journalists.

Then he waved to the crowd of nearly 200 carrying 'Vote BNP' placards, wearing Christmas hats and singing 'White Christmas'. A BNP lorry also got in on the act blaring out a rendition of 'Land of Hope and Glory.'

It was quite an incredible scene for the people of Halifax to witness as they went about their Christmas shopping - and not just the people of Halifax! Yes, Nick Griffin's release, after being arrested by West Yorkshire Police in connection with their inquiries into the BBC's *Secret Agent* programme, made the Evening News on all TV channels and Sky News even carried the event live, providing the British National Party with a massive publicity boost.

"It was the best TV coverage for the party seen this year," was the opinion of *Freedom* editor, Martin Wingfield. "Colourful, interesting, positive

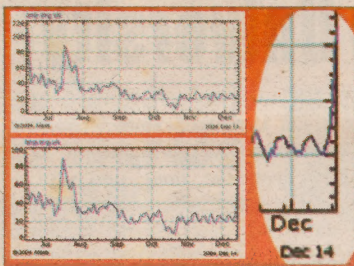


images of Nick and BNP supporters, accompanied by a very fair commentary, and going out at the peak viewing time for news - you can't get better publicity than that." BNP phonedlines were jammed with callers offering support for the BNP chairman and the website had a surge of hits that was instantly recorded by web traffic analysis software.

This welcome media coverage didn't

stop there. All the next day's national newspapers covered Nick's arrest, with of special note, an excellent editorial in the *Daily Telegraph* condemning the political manipulations behind the Government's campaign against the BNP.

A real own goal by New Labour.



WEB TRAFFIC: The BNP website gets a welcome pre-Christmas surge of visitors. (Above) A BNP lorry joins in the fun with a rendition of Land of Hope and Glory. (Left)



MIRFIELD



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HALIFAX

Labour fails to stop the Christmas fun

THERE WERE two traditional BNP Christmas parties in Yorkshire on Sunday 19th December.

Around 100 North Kirklees BNP family members and their children and grandchildren (and in one case their great grandchildren) enjoyed a social and children's party in Mirfield.

Santa Claus dropped in with gifts for the children, and stayed behind to enjoy the fine ales and the extensive buffet on offer. BNP Party Chairman Nick Griffin and his wife Jackie, were also present and Nick spoke about the opportunities for the BNP in the former heavy woollen district. Nick then auctioned some items donated by American supporters of the BNP, one of which was a T-shirt commemorating the heroism of the New York firemen during the 9-11 attack. All in all about £350 was raised which was placed in the North Kirklees General Election fund. Games were organised for the children and entertainment was provided by well known local musicians and BNP council candidates Frank Atack and Colin Auty.

Of course it was predictable that the Labour Party in the form of one of its more extreme groups would attempt to stop these simple pleasures, and on the evening prior to the party the pub where it was to be held received 15 threatening phone calls to the effect that if it went ahead the pub would be attacked.

Thankfully the landlord refused to be intimidated and the BNP party went ahead unhindered and trouble free.

In Halifax, the local BNP also held their children's Christmas social with over thirty children playing games and receiving presents from Santa Claus.



TOP TABLE: Scottish secretary, Kenny Smith, introduces BNP chairman Nick Griffin (centre) and BNP Deputy Chairman, Scott McLean.

BNP holds biggest ever meeting in Scotland

ON SATURDAY 4th December, an exclusive hotel in Glasgow's Southside played host to the largest annual St. Andrew's Day meeting that the BNP in Scotland has ever seen.

Chaired by Deputy BNP Chairman, Scott McLean, members heard speeches from some of the key players in the management team of the new, stronger and more professional BNP. Kenny Smith, Scottish Regional Secretary, administrator for the British National Lottery and the editor of the members' bulletin, *British Nationalist*, provided an overview of BNP in Scotland.

Former Conservative, John Ramsden, gave a brief talk on his reasons for joining the BNP, and he was followed

by Walter Hamilton, the Glasgow organiser, who spoke about the crime wave that was sweeping Glasgow.

After a collection which raised over £700, Steve Blake, the BNP webmaster, spoke about the way the media had treated the BNP in Scotland over the past twelve months, which explained the need for the BNP to develop its own media operations.

Party Leader Nick Griffin concluded the speeches with a sixty-minute talk about the inherent bias of the establishment when it dealt with racist murders. The murder of 15 year schoolboy, Kriss Donald, had hardly been mentioned in the media outside of Scotland, and he contrasted this with the never ending stream of media articles about Stephen Lawrence.



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